

## **ATTENTION TO DIVERSITY VISA APPLICANTS**

**DHAKA, AUGUST 9 --** This notice is to remind Diversity Visa (DV) applicants that DV-2006 visas cannot be issued after September 30, 2006. After that date, no matter what the reason, no DV 2006 visas can be issued. This applies also to the applicant's spouse and any eligible unmarried children under 21 years of age. They also must be issued their visas by September 30, 2006. After that date, family members cannot be issued diversity visas to accompany you or join you in the United States under the DV-2006 program.

As we approach the end of the DV-2006 year there is limited time to provide efficient service for DV applicants. To smoothly finish the diversity visa processing in time, the following actions have been taken:

1. No further rescheduling of new cases can be accommodated. DV applicants who are not already officially rescheduled or who fail to appear for their visa interviews on their scheduled date will not be rescheduled. If applicants fail to show up for their interview, we will not accept any reschedule requests from them and they will not be interviewed later.

2. We will continue processing cases for applicants who already appeared at their visa interviews and/or whose cases are under administrative clearance processing. We will contact applicants as soon as the processing is done. Applicants are advised to report to the Embassy as soon as possible after we contact them. Delay in reporting to our office may result in non-issuance of the visa.

3. Applicants who are required to bring additional documents or paperwork after their initial visa interview should bring those documents as soon as possible, on any working day (Sunday - Thursday), between the hours of 8: to 9: 00 a.m. If you fail to submit required documents before August 31, it may result in non-issuance of the visa.

4. Currently there are not enough visa numbers remaining to accommodate all applicants. There is a world-wide limit to DV numbers, and once that number is reached, there can be no additional visas issued. Even after payment of fees and a successful interview, DV is a first come, first served process and not all applicants will necessarily get a visa.

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